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COAL PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of growth of Coal production has declined to 5.3 per cent during the April-September.^2005-06 as compared to 6.3 per cent during the corresponding period of the last fiscal year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to increase the Coal production in the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL IDR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a)&(b) : The all India coal production during April-Sept., 2003,2004 and 2005 was as under :-

AprIl-September,03

Production (in million tonnes) 159.43
% growth over corresponding period of previous year 4.6%

April-September,04

Production (in million tonnes) 169.40
% increase over corresponding period of previous year 6.3%

April-September,05 (Provisional)

Production (in million tonnes) 177.91
% increase over corresponding period of previous year 4.7 %

(c) : The following steps have been taken to increase domestic coal production :-

(1) 100 mining projects have been identified for implementation during Xth Plan.

2) Improvement in equipment utilization,mechanization/ modernization of existing and new mines, timely implementation of projects and increasing productivity in underground and opencast mines. Further, Government has allotted 57 captive coal blocks having an estimated coal reserve of 7.71 billion tonnes to various public/private sector organizations.